

Background report

i) Green Space information			
Name of Green Space	LGS31 Woody Heights		
Address of Green Space	Linchfield Road, Deeping St. James		
Description of Green Space	This is a good-sized public open space used as for active recreation (primarily as a skate park), on the edge of a large 1970 and 80's housing estate. It is adjacent to the Deepings School Playing fields and the Deepings Rugby club pitches and is located centrally to both the Deepings Academy and the large housing estate along Linchfield Road.		
Area of Green Space	0.44ha	Map attached	Refer to map 8
ii) Demonstrably Special criteria			
Beauty		Tranquillity	
Historic significance		Richness of wildlife	
Recreational value	A very popular public park area used for active recreation.	Other: specify	This facility has a local cultural importance to young people as a meeting place and sports venue (cycle, skate and board sports)
Significance to the local community	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This park is supported and run by DSJ Parish Council. It is a public park with free access. • Despite very intensive use it is well maintained. • Financial support for improvements is also provided by various organisations, including the DSJ Parish Council. • It is a very popular local skate park and meeting space for young people. It has now acquired a positive name and so is locally culturally important. • The area has benefitted from a recent refurbishment with new facilities. • Whilst on the edge of town it is accessible by foot but also has an off-road cycle routes across its entrance and a regular bus route stopping nearby. 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• It is unique as a skate park within the Deepings, this is the only large open space of its type in a wider area.• It is also near a school and large built up area
Meets the required criteria for inclusion	YES. To be protected as an important open space community amenity.

Site History.

In 2001 Deeping St James Parish Council began the task of raising money to facilitate a skate park. It took two years to raise the money needed to prepare the ground, install drainage, prepare a specification, go through the tender process and find the most competitive supplier for the skate park equipment and the multi activity sports area. In the summer of 2003, the project was finally completed. This had involved several public consultations, donations from local companies, meetings with the young people of the Community – to ensure they had enough input into the plan for the skate ramps and other features.

The installation of the metal ramps has been a huge success, as evidenced by Lincolnshire Police being impressed by the reduction in anti-social behaviour. They donated towards the building of a youth shelter at the site.

Renewal of the skate park.

The metal ramps had a supplier guarantee period of ten years and by 2014 the ramps were beginning to show signs of wear. The Parish Council decided to carry out extensive work during the next two years – continuing with the regular safety inspections and maintenance programme to ensure the skate park remained operational as an important facility for the young people of the community.

Originally metal ramps had been deemed to be the best available but since installation the design of facilities for skate boarding had moved on a very long way. The Parish Council were supportive of the young people who wanted to bring this extremely popular facility up to date. It was agreed that it was necessary to replace the metal equipment (half pipes, quarter pipes, fun boxes and ramps) with a new concrete skate park. Consultations started again both with the public, and the young people. This time it seemed that the challenge to raise the funding for this, was greater than before. Budgets everywhere were tighter and in total it took nearly three years. The users were involved with this – including supporting the aim to have skate boarding adopted as an Olympic sport.

This area of land is known as Woody Heights, a name chosen by young people. The new facility has promoted board and skating sport locally with many travelling from outside the area. Professional skaters have deemed it to be one the best in the Country. The Parish Council are extremely proud of what has been achieved and wish to protect this valuable, popular and important local green space.

Evidence of Community value

The attached appendices show:

- Involvement of users: Collections carried out by young people at the local supermarket
- Fund raising and involvement
- Survey of users
- Facebook comments







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Parish Clerk: Julie Fortnum

13 September 2016

Mr Martin Reece
Duty Manager
Tesco Superstore
Godsey Lane
Market Deeping
Lincolnshire
PE6 8UD

Dear Mr Reece

Good causes collection in the store at Market Deeping

I have been provided with your details as the person to contact regarding the above.

Deeping St James Parish Council currently has a metal skate park; which is now 13 years old and in need of constant repair. A group of Councillors, skate park users and interested residents have formed a working party with the aim of raising the capital required to replace the existing metal ramps with a concrete bowl reducing both the long term maintenance costs and the noise level.

After receiving a positive response to a similar request made to The Central England Co-operative in Market Deeping I have been asked to enquire as to whether representatives from this group would be able to hold a collection for donations to this project, at the Tesco store on Godsey Lane. The youngsters involved would be supervised by adult volunteers.

I look forward to receiving your response.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Julie Fortnum

Phone call from Michelle
confirming a bucket
collection can take place
on Saturday 26th
November at the above
Store
Julie Fortnum 20/9/16





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26 July 2016

Denise Wilson
Charities for Collection in Store
Central England Cooperative
Hermes Road
Lichfield
WS13 6RH

Dear Ms Wilson

Bag packing in store at Market Deeping

I have been provided with your details as the person to contact regarding the above.

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I have been asked to enquire as to whether a group of teenagers would be able to do a bag pack, for donations to this project, within the store at Market Deeping. The youngsters involved would be supervised by adult volunteers.

I look forward to receiving your speedy response.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Julie Fortnum

Woody Heights time to renew

Originally installed in 2003, the metal skate park was given a life span of approximately 10 years. Due to the maintenance programme annually undertaken by the Parish Council we have managed to "squeeze" some additional life out of the ageing equipment. The Council now has a working party drawn from skate park users, members of the community and the council to drive the project forward and we need your help! All funding applications require evidence of community participation - therefore we would be grateful if you could take a few minutes to complete our questionnaire.

Kate Shinkins Chair of Youth
& Community Committee



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1. SKATE PARK
2. YOUTH SHELTER
3. MULTI PURPOSE SPORTS ACTIVITY CENTRE

(providing football, basket ball, netball, tennis, cricket)

We are currently working towards raising finance to redevelop the site, and we are seeking the views of residents so that we can provide the right equipment.

Do you or your family and friends use this centre? Yes

How often do you use this area?

Once a week Yes

More than once a week ☐ Other ☐

What equipment do you use?

Skate Park ☒ Youth Shelter ☐ MUGA ☐

Should we remove the Youth Shelter?

Yes ☒ No ☐

Age 12

Male ☒ Female ☐

Where do you live?

Market Deeping ☒

Deeping St James ☐

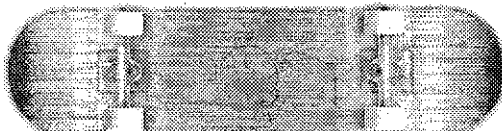
Other

What other sports/leisure facilities would you like to see in the Deepings? No

Would you like to see the Skate Park improved? If so in what way? Yes because it has been running for 10 odd years and needs improving. More ramps :)

Would you like to see other play equipment added to the area? If so, what? No

ANY OTHER COMMENTS Nope



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Do you or your family and friends use this centre? yes

How often do you use this area?

Once a week everyday

More than once a week ☒ Other ☐

What equipment do you use?

Skate Park ☒ Youth Shelter ☐ MUGA ☒

Should we remove the Youth Shelter?

Yes ☒ No ☐

Age 16

Male ☒ Female ☐

Where do you live?

Market Deeping ☐

Deeping St James ☒

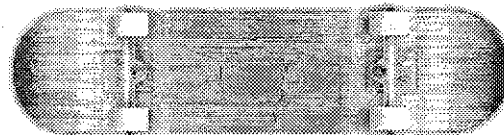
Other

What other sports/leisure facilities would you like to see in the Deepings? NO

Would you like to see the Skate Park improved? If so in what way? I would like Deeping St James to have a new skate park

Would you like to see other play equipment added to the area? If so, what?

ANY OTHER COMMENTS

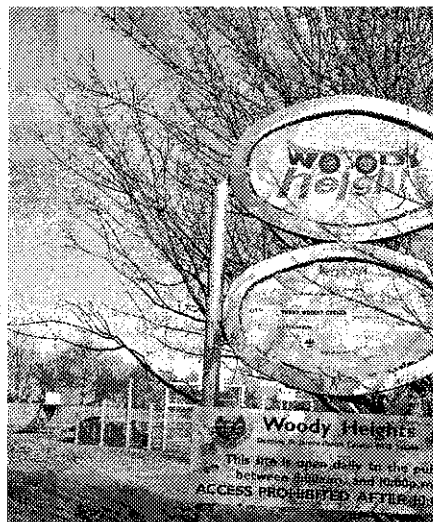


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Do you or your family and friends use this centre? *Yes*

How often do you use this area?

Once a week *every day*
if weather good
More than once a week ☒ Other ☐

What equipment do you use?

Skate Park ☒ Youth Shelter ☐ MUGA ☐

Should we remove the Youth Shelter?

Yes ☒ No ☐

Age

Male ☒

Female ☐

Where do you live?

Market Deeping ☒

Deeping St James ☐

Other

What other sports/leisure facilities would you like to see in the Deepings? *Skatepark*

Would you like to see the Skate Park improved? If so in what way?

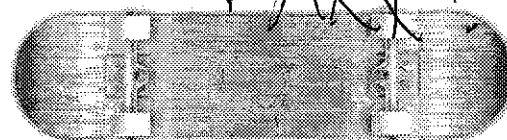
Yes, NEW

Would you like to see other play equipment added to the area? If so, what?

NO

ANY OTHER COMMENTS

New SKATE PARK!



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Do you or your family and friends use this centre? yes

How often do you use this area?

Once a week Most Days

More than once a week ☐ Other ☒

What equipment do you use?

Skate Park ☒ Youth Shelter ☐ MUGA ☐

Should we remove the Youth Shelter?

Yes ☒ No ☐

Age

15

Male ☒ Female ☐

Where do you live?

Market Deeping ☐

Deeping St James ☒

Other

What other sports/leisure facilities would you like to see in the Deepings? Just

a skatepark

Would you like to see the Skate Park

improved? If so in what way? Concrete, more ledges

Would you like to see other play equipment

added to the area? If so, what? No, it is for older kids

ANY OTHER COMMENTS

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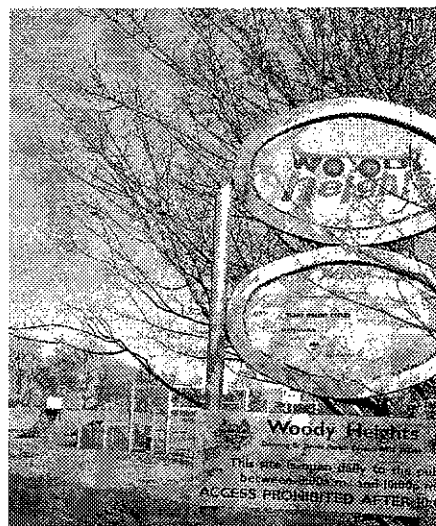
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How often do you use this area?

Once a week

More than once a week ☒ Other ☐

What equipment do you use?

Skate Park ☒ Youth Shelter ☐ MUGA ☐

Should we remove the Youth Shelter?

Yes ☒ No ☐

Age 14

Male ☒ Female ☐

Where do you live?

Market Deeping ☒

Deeping St James ☐

Other

What other sports/leisure facilities would you like to see in the Deepings? renovated

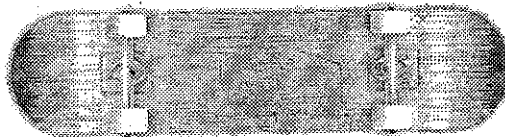
tennis courts

Would you like to see the Skate Park improved? If so in what way? Yes

make it bigger

Would you like to see other play equipment added to the area? If so, what? No

ANY OTHER COMMENTS



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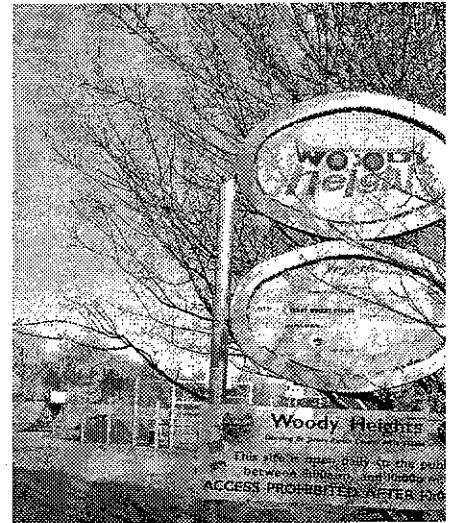
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How often do you use this area?

Once a week /

More than once a week ☐ Other ☒

What equipment do you use?

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Should we remove the Youth Shelter?

Yes ☒ No ☐

Age 14

Male ☒ Female ☐

Where do you live?

Market Deeping ☐

Deeping St James ☐

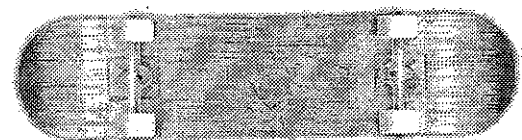
Other same

What other sports/leisure facilities would you like to see in the Deepings?

Would you like to see the Skate Park improved? If so in what way? Yes half pipe ramps so a bigger park a

Would you like to see other play equipment added to the area? If so, what? a beam pit with

ANY OTHER COMMENTS no not really



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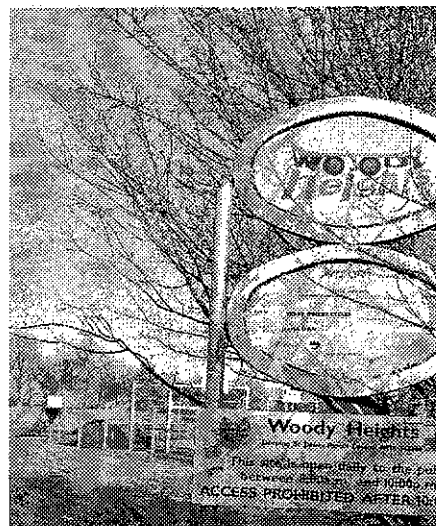
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Once a week

More than once a week ☒ Other ☐

What equipment do you use?

Skate Park ☒ Youth Shelter ☐ MUGA ☐

Should we remove the Youth Shelter?

Yes ☒ No ☐

Age 11

Male ☒ Female ☐

Where do you live?

Market Deeping ☐

Deeping St James ☒

Other

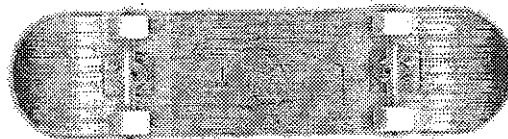
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Would you like to see the Skate Park improved? If so in what way?

Concrete not metal

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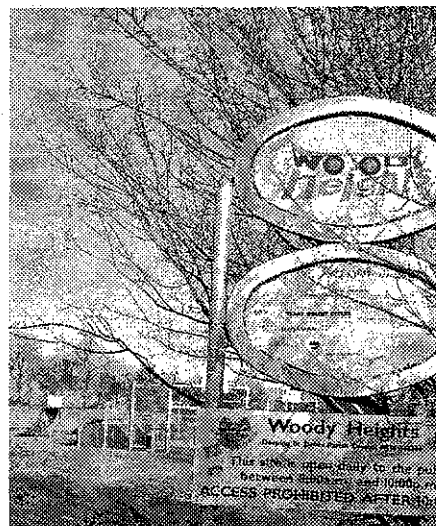
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Age

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Where do you live?

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Other

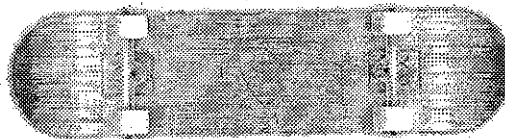
What other sports/leisure facilities would you like to see in the Deepings? tennis

(improved)

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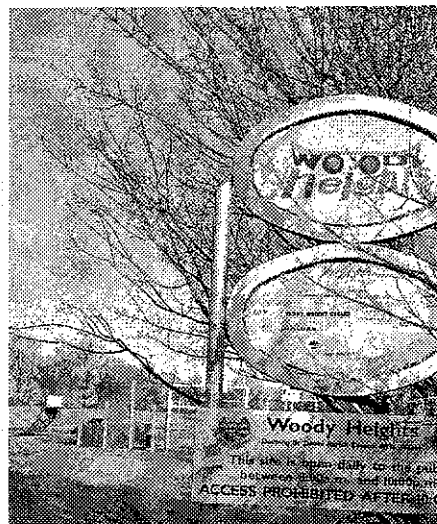
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Do you or your family and friends use this centre? Yes

How often do you use this area?

Once a week

More than once a week ☒ Other ☐

What equipment do you use?

Skate Park ☒ Youth Shelter ☐ MUGA ☐

Should we remove the Youth Shelter?

Yes ☒ No ☒

Age 15

Male ☐

Female ☒

Where do you live?

Market Deeping ☒

Deeping St James ☐

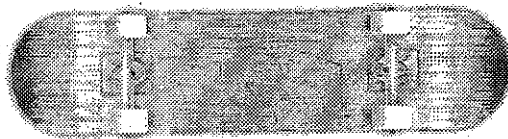
Other

What other sports/leisure facilities would you like to see in the Deepings? badminton / tennis courts

Would you like to see the Skate Park improved? If so in what way? Yes, bigger

Would you like to see other play equipment added to the area? If so, what? No

ANY OTHER COMMENTS No



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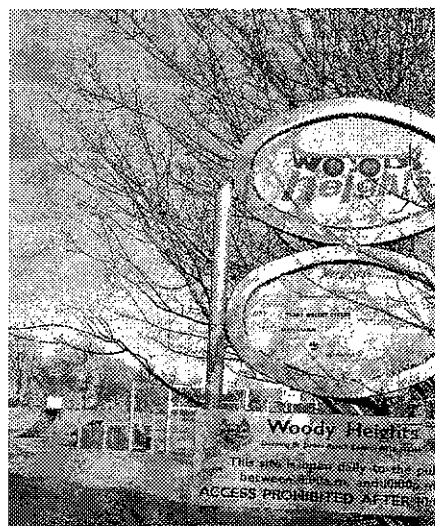
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Do you or your family and friends use this centre? my dog

How often do you use this area?

Once a week yeah that

More than once a week ☐ Other ☐

What equipment do you use?

Skate Park ☒ Youth Shelter ☐ MUGA ☒

Should we remove the Youth Shelter?

Yes ☒ No ☐

Age 15

Male ☐

Female ☒

Where do you live?

Market Deeping ☐

Deeping St James ☐

Other Baume

What other sports/leisure facilities would you like to see in the Deepings? Cage

Fighting stadium

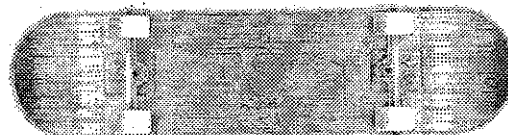
Would you like to see the Skate Park improved? If so in what way? Make it better (paint it pink)

pink

Would you like to see other play equipment added to the area? If so, what? Slide

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ANY OTHER COMMENTS no



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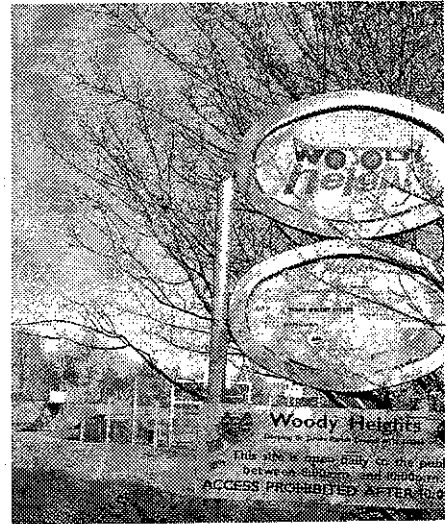
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How often do you use this area?

Once a week

More than once a week ☒ Other ☐

What equipment do you use?

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Should we remove the Youth Shelter?

Yes ☒ No ☐

Age

Male ☐

Female ☒

Where do you live?

Market Deeping ☐

Deeping St James ☒

Other

What other sports/leisure facilities would you like to see in the Deepings?

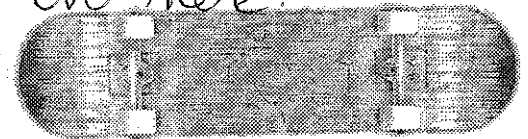
A better play park on John Eve Jubilee Park

Would you like to see the Skate Park improved? If so in what way?

Concrete skate park with more ledges and ramps

Would you like to see other play equipment added to the area? If so, what?

ANY OTHER COMMENTS *PCSO's need to just regularly check so kids are not doing drugs/drinking over there*



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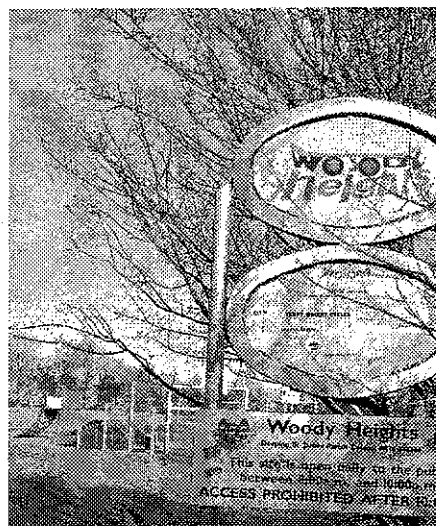
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Once a week

More than once a week ☒ Other ☐

What equipment do you use?

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Should we remove the Youth Shelter?

Yes ☐

No ☐

Age 14

Male ☒

Female ☐

Where do you live?

Market Deeping ☐

Deeping St James ☒

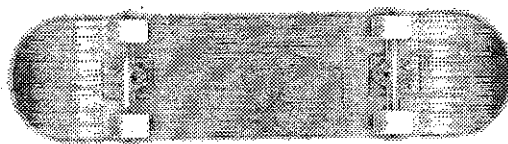
Other

What other sports/leisure facilities would you like to see in the Deepings?

Would you like to see the Skate Park improved? If so in what way? Yes

Would you like to see other play equipment added to the area? If so, what? No

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Once a week

More than once a week ☐ Other ☐

What equipment do you use?

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Should we remove the Youth Shelter?

Yes ☐ No ☐ Don't know sorry

Age 46

Male ☐ Female ☒

Where do you live?

Market Deeping ☐

Deeping St James ☒

Other

What other sports/leisure facilities would you like to see in the Deepings? To be able to use the swimming pool during the day. *

Would you like to see the Skate Park

improved? If so in what way?

Would rather see money spent on Jubilee Park play area.

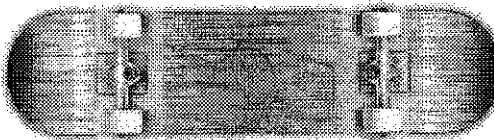
Would you like to see other play equipment

added to the area? If so, what? It would be nice to have a picnic

table at the Jubilee Park and a toddler slide like at Northborough Park. playground

ANY OTHER COMMENTS

Thanks for all your hard work in looking after our community.



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* When I first moved here I was under the impression it was a community leisure centre but in reality it "belongs" to the school.

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How often do you use this area?

Once a week yes

More than once a week ☒ Other ☐

What equipment do you use?

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Should we remove the Youth Shelter?

Yes ☒ No ☐

Age 14

Male ☒ Female ☐

Where do you live?

Market Deeping ☐

Deeping St James ☒

Other

What other sports/leisure facilities would you like to see in the Deepings? Improved astro turf

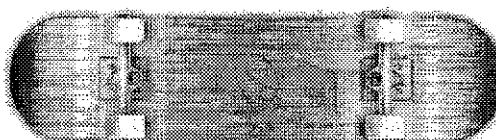
Would you like to see the Skate Park

improved? If so in what way? a new concrete skatepark

Would you like to see other play equipment

added to the area? If so, what?

ANY OTHER COMMENTS



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How often do you use this area?
Once a week on a Sunday morning

More than once a week ☐ Other ☐

What equipment do you use?

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Should we remove the Youth Shelter?

Yes ☒ No ☐

Age 35

Male ☐

Female ☒

Where do you live?

Market Deeping ☐

Deeping St James ☒

Other

What other sports/leisure facilities would you like to see in the Deepings?

indoor - sofa play

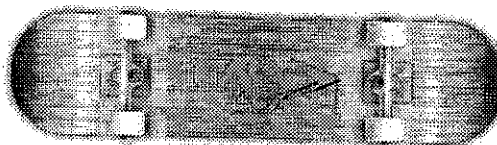
Would you like to see the Skate Park improved? If so in what way?

New Skate/Scater/Bmx tracks, kept clean, alot of glass etc. on multi purpose area.

Would you like to see other play equipment added to the area? If so, what?

Climbing frames, adventure play, Peterborough Park (city), Easton + Clinton Gorge, Escapes

ANY OTHER COMMENTS



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WOODY HEIGHTS FACEBOOK SURVEY

1st December 2015 the following message was published on facebook:

CAN WE HAVE YOUR VIEWS PLEASE

Woody Heights Skate Park in Linchfield Road has been well used over the years, and has now reached the end of its life.

Deeping St James Parish Council are considering replacing the Skate Park, and redeveloping the site, and would be interesting in hearing your views on the subject.

Should we have a new Skate Park?

What else could we do with the site?

Please tell us what you think



On 2nd January this had been seen by 3,274 people, and had been shared on 13 sites

COMMENTS

CHRISTINE GAUGHAN – Just update it if it is well used, the kids need something.

PAUL COSHAM – If it is well used up dare it.

THOMAS MALDWYN BRAND – Put outside gym equipment in it as not everyone can afford gym. They have one at Ferry Meadows.

LOUISE MCNALLY – They have this at Rutland Water and you see every generation using the equipment. Encourage people to have a go and it's free.

skate park regularly, my friends who live in Deeping also use it regularly, they are older than me and have been using it since it was built.

MARK LEWIS – It needs updating. I used to bmx 10 years ago, and loads of memories. Deeping is growing and people still use it, why take away what little there actually is for youngsters to do in Deeping. They need a place to go so crime isn't something they go into. Update and encourage more people to use it.

KEVIN ISAAC – Rebuild. Look at the Stanground one. Add lights. Make it more open. Outdoor gym kit. Give people, especially younger and youths somewhere to do stuff in an active way. Far too little of that sort of stuff around.

SI FOX – There's gym stuff in a park in Boston. That gets used loads.

JULIAN WELCH – Replace the skate park. Well used and my two 13 year olds love it.

BETH MOORE – Skate Park revamp and outdoor gym for sure.

SARAH BELL – Keep the idea but update it.....it's good that older kids have a place to go to.....be brilliant to see some new stuff to.

EDDIE WAILES – Simon Frith. Could be visiting the old days soon.

KATHERINE ROBINSON – This is a great place for older children. I'd definitely like to see it updated and given a face lift.

EMMA WOOD – I think update the skate park and add a gym area as kids can play while parents exercise! I loved the skate park as a teen. We do have a fitness park in Deeping already. I know, but one with proper park gym equipment like they have in London would be lovely.

KERRIE FISH – So many people use it! Upgrade and improve it. It will be so worth it. Maybe extend the bmx trail so younger ones can ride their bikes and scooters to, as its hard to get a look in when the skate Park is full of older children.

SAM YOUNG – Needs to be rebuilt like Stamford or Spalding. The state of its in a bad condition, do not tear it down. Look at all the comments, they want a new one and not torn down. Deepings, you've said you were going to fund a new skate park.....4 years! Still we haven't got one.

STACEY NEWLAND – I'd like the gym stuff to, like what they have at Elsea Park.

NATHAN BEDFORD – There's no need to tear it down to make a new one, just make the new one the other side of the hill. That way beginner can use the old one which leaves the new one for people to progress. At the minute it is too small to do that and for the amount of people there. Also it will cost money to take the old one down, so you might as well use that money for the new skate park.

EMMA WOOD – Parkour/free running equipment would be another idea to incorporate. It's huge in other towns and absolutely hands down the best exercise for kids and adults alike.

TERRY LANGRIDGE – You contradict yourself by saying "over the years it has been well used", so why the need for change. It will tear the kids away from those ipads etc, and will actually get them to do exercise.

HEIDI EDWARDS – Both my boys use it, and love it, please don't get rid of it, just update it. The one at Stanground is brill, and that's always busy to. Listen to the kids, they still want the skate park but would like it updating.

ADRIAN ELMER – Bring it to Langtoft...cuz there isn't much for kids to do here.

LYNETTE HOLMES – My son uses the skate park all the time. Does need an update, but please don't get rid of it.

JOHN BOORMAN – Please, please keep it, and more so, improve it. Jubilee has a great bmx track and this summer holiday my boy spent 90% at the bmx track. He also uses the skate track so often with skating or bmxing. I wholeheartedly recommend improvements for the skaters and BMX users. I also agree with Iain Toombs, why not ask the kids what they would like to see there, as they know what its lacking. I spent an hour in the car on Saturday with 4 boys that had just been to Adrenalin Alley in Corby. The conversation went on for an hour, non-stop, about the variety of skate board jumps and BMX ramps they had used.

Deeping St James Parish Council please hold a meeting on this and invite the kids as they will give you an invaluable insight into what they would like to have there. Finally, I do wish there was more for the teenage girls to do as well.

CAROLE BREMNER – The BMX track is on the John Eve Park opposite Tesco, not on the Jubilee which is behind the shops on Thackers Way.

SUSAN CAYLEY – Kids love it, needs updating

SHARON HALL – Keep it as a skate park with a re-vamp/facelift. There isn't to much for teenagers to do around Deeping and they enjoy going to this park.

CHRIS QUINN – As an avid adult skater I frequent Adrenaline Alley in Corby quite regularly, have a Google at the level skate park in Brighton, it's a concrete outdoor park and one of the best in Europe. It attracts people of all ages. If any adult input is needed then I would be happy to assist. Please don't lose the skate park, it needs a major revamp but it should be completed and could be an asset to Deepings.

JUDY STEVENS - Adult input is def needed

ANDREW BOWELL - Hi Chris. Thank you very much. As Judy says adult input is needed. Are you available to help with applying for grants, or engaging with the schools and businesses?

JUDY STEVENS - Wooha! - we need a meeting and can then a plan and to have adults who are engaging with the skate park already will be a real boon - I am sure that John, Chris and others will be able to contribute positively - so look forward to a get together - there is already a steering group on the parish council and they will be in touch

LORRAINE SHEFFIELD – Yes keep it. My boys have started going. It would be nice if there was a younger bit and older bit.

CHRIS QUINN – Hi Lorraine, a younger bit and an older bit wouldn't really differ. If it was revamped then they would need to just add in maybe a mini ramp that can still be used for all ages. In the indoor park in Corby there are children as young as 3 years old risind the same ramps as the adults. It's pretty impressive.

LISA HARDEN – My son goes to the skate park, and my youngest son can't wait to be old enough to go to. I think upgrading the skate park is a wonderful idea; please do not take it away for something else. So many kids use it. They get great exercise, stay out of trouble, socialise safely, and have great fun. I agree, ask the kids for input, but you will find an improved skate park will go down a treat.

JUDY STEVENS – Chris Quinn and John Boorman, would you be prepared to be on a group to get this going.

JOHN BOORMAN – Judy Stevens, sure I would

JUDY STEVENS – Thanks John I'll be in touch.

CHRIS QUINN – Indeed I would too.

JUDY STEVENS – Thanks Chris – I am really pleased and will be in touch soon.

TOM SHINKINS – <http://www.concreateskateparks.co.uk> all you need to replace it is right here.

CHRIS QUINN – Take a look at the concrete skate park in Stanground. It's in a small area, user friendly for all age groups and attracts people of all ages. One of the best concrete parks in our area.

LIAM JAMES ROWLANDS – Update it, but also open it up at the front so it is no longer a poorly lit "hiding place" for drinking etc. My son's friends all travel all the way to Corby so it must be a good example.

CAROLE OWEN – Keep it, improve it. There are little enough leisure facilities in Deeping for youngsters, much less ones that are free, so many parents struggle these days and cannot afford to keep paying out for their children to attend leisure facilities.

COMMENTS FROM MAD WOMAN WITH A DOG IN A BUGGY

JOHN MAGGS – I am sure it would be better to renew the skate park as it must keep children safer than on surrounding roads.